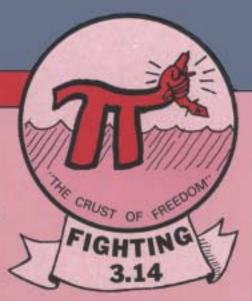


## SQUADRON IN THE SPOTLIGHT

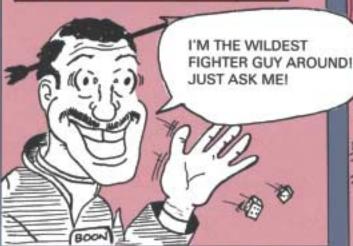
"THE KIND REAL AVIATORS LIKE"

THE ORIGIN OF VF-3.14 IS SKETCHY, BUT IT IS GENERALLY ACCEPTED THAT IT STARTED IN 1946 AS DET 3.14 OF THE 103RD TRANSPORT WING. THEN KNOWN AS THE "DIGIT LIFTERS" FLYING THE C-47, THE SQUADRON ACHIEVED RECOGNITION FOR BEING "PRETTY GOOD FRIENDS" WITH SOME OF THE PILOTS WHO FLEW DURING THE BERLIN AIRLIFT. (RECORDS SHOW THAT THE 'DIGIT LIFTERS' WERE TASKED WITH THE AIRLIFT BUT COULDN'T MAKE IT DUE TO MISUSE OF OPTAR.)

IN 1962, DURING THE TRANSITION TO C-130's, THE SQUADRON ACCI-DENTLY RECEIVED F-8 "CRUSADERS" AND RATHER THAN CAUSE A LOT OF TROUBLE . . . THE CO, WITH THE AID OF HIS ENTERPRISING COFFEE MESS OFFICER (NEW "ZAPPERS" WITHIN 48 HOURS), REDESIGNATED THE SQUAD-RON VF-3.14 "THE FIGHTING PI'S" (SUBMITTED BY LT LANCE "DANGER-BOY" JONES, SQUADRON PAO)









HEY, JOEY! LET'S RIDE RIGHT AT EACH OTHER AND SEE WHO SWERVES AWAY FIRST, OK?



## "BOON" ALSO LIKED FFARP.

THIS ROE IS FOR LOSERSI I HAVEN'T MET ANYONE YET WHO WON'T GIVE ME ANGLES IF I KEEP NOSE ONI

## YEARS LATER ON A WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

YOU SHOULD'VE SEEN
"BOON" DOGGLE! BEFORE
HIS MID-AIR WE WERE AT THE
CLUB AT AV SOUTH. . . WOO-WEE!
THESE AIR FORCE BABES CAME IN
AND. . .

OH NO, TRAPPED BY ANOTHER ONE OF THE SKIPPER'S "BOON" DOGGLE STORIES...

